Legislation to make approval of International Agreements by Parliament Mandatory

†3497. SHRI RAMA SHANKER KAUSHIK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are considering or intend to formulate a legislation immediately in order to make Parliament's approval mandatory for the important international agreements and amendments thereto; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof; if not, the reasons therefor and the decision of Government regarding the regulation of treaties and to make this process democratic?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (2) No, Sir.

(b) In the opinion of the Government the present system of Cabinet approval of international treaties has worked well since independence.

Human Rights Commission Report on Tihar Jail

†3498. SHRI RAMA SHANKER KAUSHIK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Human Rights Commission has submitted its report on Tihar Jail or apprised the Government about it;
- (b) whether Government are in agreement with the report of the Commission and accept it; if so, the details of the action proposed to be taken by Government in respect of the lapses pointed out by the Commission and by when; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

tOriginal notice of the Question was received in Hindi.